

Business Practices and Systems Forum

BPA TBL will meet with Transmission Customers at least three times between November 2002 and September 2003 to discuss Business Practices and systems used to implement TBL's Open Access Transmission Tariff and its Transmission and Ancillary Service Rate Schedules. TBL agrees to discuss the following issues identified during TBL Rate Case Workshops held in September and October 2002:

1. TBL's Business Practices on Operating Reserves – Spinning and Supplemental Services,
2. Real Power Losses,
3. Curtailment during Real-Time, including PTP curtailment based on contract demand vs. schedules, and
4. Scheduling practices and associated systems, including wind resource scheduling.

Prior to the first meeting, TBL will draft and circulate principles to govern the meetings. TBL will post on its website the meeting location and agenda at least 10 days prior to each meeting. The first meeting will take place no later than December 13, 2002.

TBL and the Transmission Customers agree to use best efforts to ensure that the appropriate technical, and other, staff attend the meetings (either in person or by telephone conference) to facilitate meaningful discussions.

The parties agree that these meetings are designed to supplement, not revise, TBL's existing process to develop its Business Practices and systems. Further, while TBL agrees to work in good faith to discuss and address Transmission Customer concerns, TBL retains discretion to determine whether to make any changes to its Business Practices or systems as a result of the meetings. TBL will use the meetings to solicit feedback for use in developing or revising its Business Practices or systems, but is under no obligation to develop new Business Practices or systems or make any changes to existing Business Practices or systems. If TBL changes its Business Practices or systems, whether on its own or as a result of Transmission Customer input at the meetings, it will use its best efforts to implement those changes in a timely manner pursuant to TBL's established Business Practice process. The Transmission Customers retain all rights under TBL's Open Access Transmission Tariff, as it may be amended, to challenge TBL's Business Practices.